


A claim of governmental liability requires factual allegations that the misconduct complained is due to a policy, statement, regulation, decision or custom promulgated by Lawrence County or its agent, the Lawrence County Sheriff's Department. Monell v. New York City Department of Social Services, 436 U.S. 658 (1978). For Lawrence County to be liable under § 1983, Plaintiff must allege facts of a direct causal link between an official policy or custom and the alleged constitutional violation. City of Canton v. Harris, 489 U.S. 378 (1989).

Plaintiff's complaint lacks factual allegations that his right to medical care has been violated due to a policy or regulation of either Lawrence County or the Lawrence County Sheriff's Department. Consequently, the Plaintiff has failed to state a claim against the Defendants in their official capacities.

Absent an actionable claim, the Court must dismiss the complaint *sua sponte*. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2).

An appropriate order will be entered.

ENTERED this the 23rd day of October, 2013.


WILLIAM J. HAYNES, JR.
Chief Judge
United States District Court